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JACK ANDERSON: This morning I want to tell you the story of a spy who tried to come in out of the cold, but the Central Intelligence Agency left him to freeze. The man's name is Boris Korchak. He was an escapee from a Communist prison camp. For six years he worked for the CIA. He passed secret information to our intelligence agents. Now, he took no money for this dangerous work. He says he was motivated by ideology. He simply preferred democracy to Communism.

Well, ultimately, Korchak got involved in an even more dangerous game. He became a double agent and pretended to work for the Soviet secret police, the KGB.

Well, a year and a half ago, Korchak's cover was blown. He had to flee from Denmark. Luckily, he was able to get his wife and children out. They came to the United States. Korchak thought he would be welcomed for a job well done. But the CIA gave Boris Korchak no help at all, nothing. The CIA at first pretended it'd never heard of him.

Well, in desperation, Korchak looked elsewhere for help. He finally found it in Iowa Senator Charles Grassley. Well, of course, the Senator had doubts about Korchak. But he talked to the CIA's deputy chief, Admiral Bobby Inman. There's now no doubt about it. Inman confirmed that Korchak had worked for the CIA. Yet, incredibly, the CIA still won't help its former agent, but has left him on his own. All he has is a visitor's visa that expires on Wednesday. He can't get work legally on a visitor's visa, even if it's extended. He may have to return to Europe.

In that case, he told me, "I am a dead man."

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